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Adriana Breuer examines the 11-inch locks she had cut off in March. While most 7-year-old girls are concentrating on the latest doll or toy, Adriana is sending her hair to Locks of Love, an organization that provides hairpieces to children with long-term hair loss. She is the daughter of Master Sgts. Rodney and Lisa Breuer.

Sheppard girl donates hair for second time

SHEPPARD AIR FORCE BASE, Texas — With her hair separated into three distinct rows, **Adriana Breuer** felt the gentle tug of the silver cutting utensils as the first of three 11-inch strips of hair was removed. The 7-year-old's hair was destined for Locks of Love, an organization that turns donated hair into wigs for financially disadvantaged patients suffering from long-term hair loss.

Adriana's donation was intended to help her cousin Jarrett, a recent cancer success story.

"I thought it was cool," she said of having her hair cut to help others.

Adriana's mother, Master Sgt. **Lisa Breuer**, of the 82nd Training Wing's faculty development office, said she and her husband, Master Sgt. **Rodney Breuer**, aircrew life support superintendent at Eglin Air Force Base, Fla., are not surprised by their daughter's willingness to give of herself to help another.

"She's got a really good heart," her mother said. "She's a kind and thoughtful girl."

The second-grader said she knows all about the importance of Locks of Love. She donated her first 10-inch strand of hair at 3 years old when her cousin was first diagnosed with cancer. With the help of her mother, Adriana decided to donate hair to the organization so that Jarrett could have a hairpiece to wear after treatments.

"Some people donate time, and some people donate money," her mother. "She donates her hair."

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